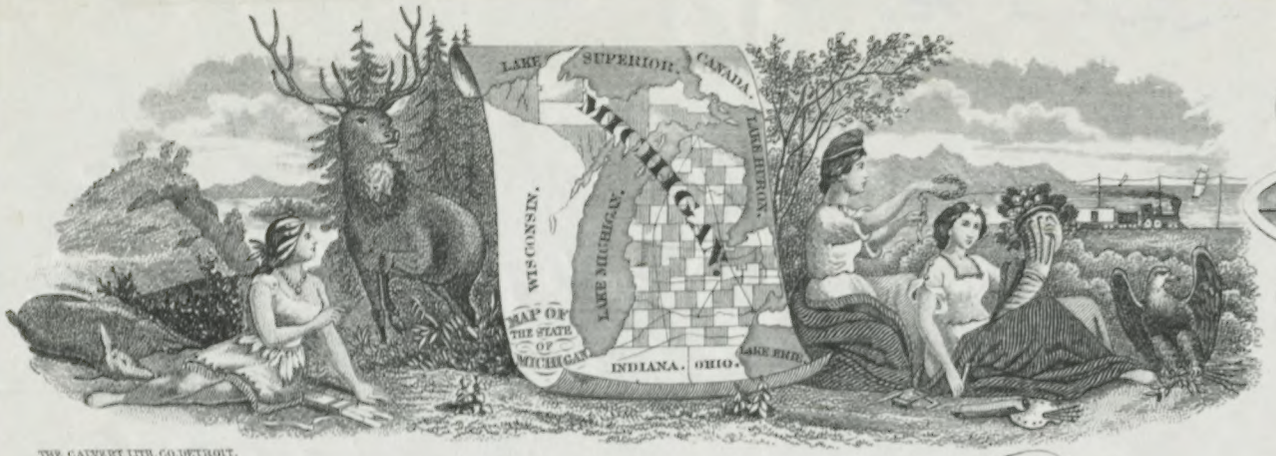
Sept. 3, 1873. W. L. G. to John & Hannah Cox, Longwood, Pa. To John & Hannah Cox 1873

~~A half century of wedlock constitutes what is happily~~

Half a century is completed ~~this day~~ since you joined hands and hearts in the endeared relationship of husband and wife; ~~such an event is so rare as to~~ and so making of this occasion a "Golden Wedding" festival — ~~or the part of~~ an event too rare to be allowed to pass without gladsome commemoration, especially when it signifies (as it does in your case) a true and perfect marriage, with unswerving fidelity to each other, with singular oneness ~~of~~ in spirit and purpose, and with ~~all~~ every matrimonial obligation ~~marital and parental obligations~~ connection most lovingly fulfilled. If the ~~relation~~ has brought with it many cares and trials — for exemption from these is scarcely possible or desirable — in our earthly pilgrimage it has been crowned with precious experiences, multiplied blessings, gratifying recollections, and mutual enjoyments, to an uncommon degree. Your children, and your children's children, arise up, and call you blessed; and

Hs.A.1.1 v.8, p.28B



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